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SUBJECT: LEVI STRAUSS (THAILAND)

1. THE DEPARTMENT WAS TELEPHONED APRIL 16 BY RICHARD WEIR OF LEVI STRAUSS COMPANY IN SAN FRANCISCO (TEL. 415-391-6200, EXT. 2325) WHO REPORTED THAT THE RECORDS OF THEIR SUBSIDIARY, LEVI STRAUSS (THAILAND), WERE SEIZED BY THAI OFFICIALS IN EARLY APRIL. MR. WEIR SAID THAT THE SEIZURE WAS APPARENTLY RELATED TO CHARGES THAT THE COMPANY HAD VIOLATED THAI TAX OR IMPORT REGULATIONS. WEIR ADDED THAT THE CHARGES MIGHT ALSO INCLUDE DUMPING (SIC).

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR INQUIRING INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THIS ALLEGED SEIZURE AND REPORTING YOUR FINDINGS. LEVI STRAUSS (THAILAND) IS LOCATED ON THE SEVENTH FLOOR, U CHULING FOUNDATION BLDG., 968 RAMA IV RD, BANGKOK. ROBINSON

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